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TOPIC Airfield of NEURUPPIN

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1. The NEURUPPIN (N 53/249) airfield has a neglected landing field; the runway could scarcely be seen because of high grass. Small gardens have been laid out at the northeastern border of the landing field. The obstacle lights and all the hangars except two are destroyed. The landing field can be made serviceable for fast aircraft on short notice.

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2. Five biplanes of type U-2 were parked in front of the two empty open hangars on 16 August 1949. There was continuous flying with these biplanes from 9 to 11 a.m., soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets firing with machine guns at towed air sleeves. There was no flying in the afternoon. There were 42 trucks parked in two rows at the field.

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3. Firing at towed air sleeves was again practiced in the morning of 17 August 1949; there was no other flying. Units of the Soviet Occupation Army, 350 to 400 men, were quartered in the airfield barracks.

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Comment Report does not indicate any change in the occupation of the NEURUPPIN airfield as compared with the status of previous months. The airfield is still not occupied by an air unit. A few aircraft of type PO-2 are apparently stationed at the field; they are presumably used by army units as courier planes. There are no indications of an intended reconstruction of the field in connection with its reoccupation by an air unit. Before, an army unit is quartered in the airfield barracks.

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